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## Monodispersity and stability: case of ultrafine aluminum nanoparticles (<5 nm) synthesized by the solvated metal atom dispersion approach

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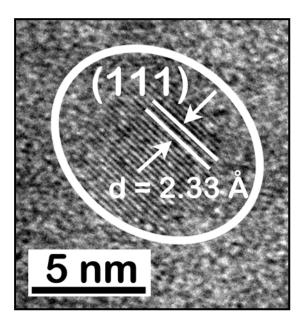


Fig S1. HRTEM image of Al-THF nanoparticles

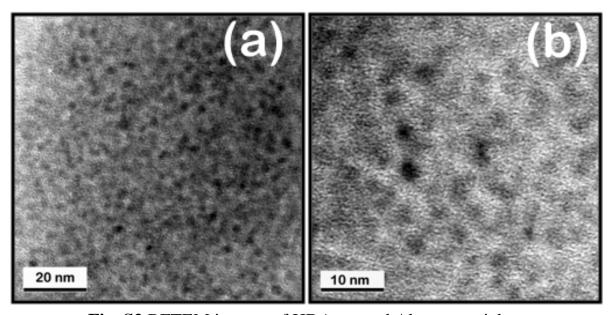


Fig. S2 BFTEM images of HDA capped Al nanoparticles

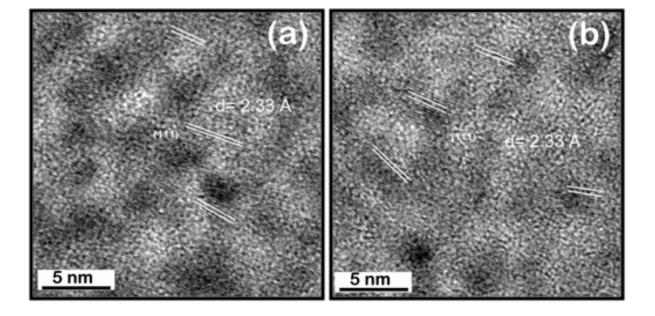
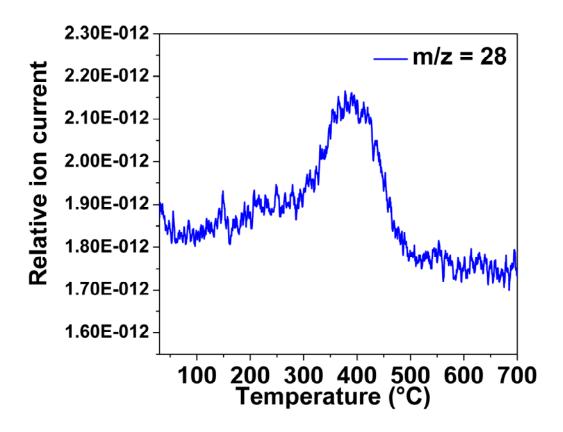


Fig. S3 HRTEM images of HDA capped Al nanoparticles



**Fig. S4** MS Profile of m/z = 28 ( $N_2$ ) for HDA capped Al nanoparticles, the ramp rate is 5 K min<sup>-1</sup>.

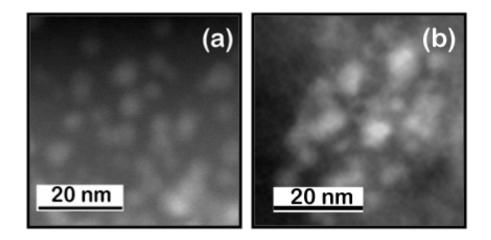


Fig. S5 (a), (b) HAADF images of Al-HDA nanoparticles annealed at 300 °C.